

2015-2016
SLO Parent Handbook for
Kindergarten through 12th Grade Students



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School Liaison Officer Welcome

Welcome to the start of a new school year and for some a new school. We look forward to getting the 2015-2016 school year off to a great start. If you're new to Tobyhanna Army Depot, congratulations and welcome to the heart of the Pocono Mountains.

Our installation offers many great facilities and services. In addition to amenities on the installation, our location offers unlimited points of interest in the surrounding communities with local schools committed to providing a quality education for our families.

The school system serving Tobyhanna Army Depot is the Pocono Mountain School District, which is one of 501 school districts within the Commonwealth. The school district is comprised of 2 high schools, 2 junior high schools, 2 intermediate schools and 3 elementary schools.

There are additional educational options available as well. There are a number of private schools within the area, PMSD Academy and Cyber Learning.

We have an excellent relationship with the school district. We provide Partner-In-Education programs through our Outreach Program. SKIES (Schools of Knowledge, Inspiration, Education and Skills), Operation Military Kids in conjunction with Penn State Cooperative Extension, 4-H Monroe County. Please consider volunteering in your children's schools. Active Parent Teacher Organization's (PTO) are found in the schools your children will be attending.

Again, welcome back to school and, if you are new to Tobyhanna Army Depot, to what I hope will be a most rewarding assignment! We are starting this new school year with a strong roadmap for success. If you have more questions about our schools please contact our School Liaison Officer at (570) 615-6559. In addition, we have outstanding information regarding schools at our website linked to the installation webpage: <http://www.tobyhanna.army.mil/community/cys.html>

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POCONO MOUNTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL LIAISON OFFICER

Tobyhanna Army Depot has a School Liaison Officer to represent DoD employees and families with local school issues for public, private and home school needs. Contact your School Liaison Officer by telephone at (570) 615-6559.

GENERAL INFORMATION (APPLIES TO ALL PMSD SCHOOLS):

First Day of School:

August 31, 2015

Please see the entire district calendar attached to this document

New Student Registration:

The student registration process may be initiated on-line at https://homeaccess.pmsd.org/eo_parent/User/Login.aspx or by contacting the Student Registration Center at (570) 839-7121, Ext 40400 for an appointment. For those who prefer, the district has made computers available at the student registration center during normal business hours for the purpose of initiating the registration process. Normal Business Hours: Monday – Friday, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Note: If your child has an IEP or receives any special education services such as reading support, math support, or speech/language support, or has a 504 Plan requiring accommodations for Health/Physical needs, you are required to meet with an educational consultant to ensure proper placement. Please contact the Student Registration Center for an appointment – (570) 839-7121, Ext 40400.

Directions to the Student Registration Center:

From Route 611 (South of Mount Pocono, North of Tannersville)
Turn onto Swiftwater Road (by Sanofi Pasteur and Acorn gas station)
Stay LEFT at the Y in the road
Take the first LEFT onto Pocono Mountain School Road
Take first LEFT (after the Administration Building)
Turn RIGHT at the 2nd stop sign by the Bus Garage
Building is straight ahead
Parking and Entrance are to the Right

All student registration information and required forms/documents can be found online at <http://www.pmsd.org/Default.aspx?tabid=97>

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR ALL CHILDREN: A student may not be registered until ALL documents have been submitted. Some documents require notarization. Free notary services are available at the Student Registration Center during normal business hours. Documents may be submitted via attachments to the on-line registration, emailed to centralreg@pmsd.org, faxed to 570-839-5945, or dropped off at the student registration center during normal business hours.

☒ **Proof of birth date:** Original or certified official birth certificate or original or certified baptismal certificate.

☒ **Immunization Records:** Certificate of immunization issued in accordance with the rule a regulations of the Pennsylvania Secretary of Health and the Advisory Health Board. Students who are not immunized as required by the Pennsylvania Department of Health, or who are not medically or religiously exempt may not be admitted to school.

☒ **Proof of Residence:** Application for registration must be accompanied by **two** proofs of residency from the list below:

1. A recorded deed indicating address of residence, and name(s) of property owner(s) for an improved property within the district
2. A mortgage settlement document(s) indicating address of residence and name(s) of property owner(s)
3. Payment, or proof of liability for payment, of municipal and/or school district taxes for an improved property within the district for the current or immediately preceding tax year
4. A signed lease agreement providing for occupancy of a residence or residential unit within the district
5. A signed agreement of sale for the purchase of a residence or residential unit within the district
6. A signed contract for the construction of a residence within the district, together with a copy of the building permit and/or other applicable permits
7. Pennsylvania Driver's License indicating an address within the district
8. Pennsylvania identification card indicating an address within the district
9. Pennsylvania automobile registration indicating an address within the district
10. Utility or insurance bills indicating payment of utilities due to occupancy of a residence within the district
11. Signed income tax return filed for the current or immediately preceding tax year indicating an address within the district
12. Current check stubs from wages, public assistance, social security or other source of income indicating an address within the district
13. Occupancy permit issued by the local municipality for the residence in question

☒ **Parent Registration Statement:** Parent Registration Statement attesting to whether the student has been or is suspended or expelled for offenses involving drugs or alcohol, weapons or violence. This form is available for download.

☒ **Home Language Survey:** This is a requirement of the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights. The form is available for download on the website.

ADDITIONAL REQUIRED DOCUMENT FOR CHILDREN, NOT ONE'S OWN: Applications for registration of students not residing with their parent or guardian must contain the following in addition to all other required documents:

1. Foster Children
 - ✓ Original letter from the court, association, agency or institution indicating compensated placement with the resident, and the resident school district of the natural parent(s) and;
 - ✓ Signed sworn statement that the child has been placed by a bona fide agency in the home of the resident with compensation
2. Other Children, Not One's Own
 - ✓ Appropriate legal documentation to show dependency/guardianship
 - ✓ Signed sworn statement that the child is being supported gratis and the resident will continuously assume all personal obligations for the child relative to school

A child shall be considered a resident of the school district in which his parents or the guardian of his person resides, and will be enrolled in the school building he/she would normally attend in accordance with established school district attendance areas.

PENNSYLVANIA SCHOOL IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS:

1. **All** students need the following immunizations to attend school:
 - 4 doses of tetanus (usually given as DTP or DTaP or DT or TD) with one dose on or after the 4th birthday
 - 4 doses of diphtheria (usually given as DTP or DTaP or DT or TD) with one dose on or after the 4th birthday
 - 3 doses of polio
 - 2 doses of measles (usually given as MMR) with the first dose on or after the 1st birthday
 - 2 doses of mumps (usually given as MMR) with the first dose on or after the 1st birthday
 - 1 dose of rubella (German Measles) (usually given as MMR) with the first dose on or after the 1st birthday
 - 3 doses of hepatitis B
 - 2 doses of varicella (chickenpox) with the first dose on or after the 1st birthday or history of disease
2. Students in 7th Grade need the following **additional** immunizations to attend school:
 - 1 dose of tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis (Tdap) if 5 years has elapsed since last tetanus immunization
 - 1 dose of meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV)

Proof of immunization means a written record showing the dates (month, day, year) your child was immunized.

The only exceptions to the school laws for immunization are medical reasons and religious beliefs. If your child is exempt from immunizations, your child may be removed from school during a disease outbreak.

No child will be admitted to school without providing the appropriate immunization information to the school nurse. Pennsylvania law states a child must have at least one dose of each of the required vaccines in order to attend school on a provisional basis.

ADDITIONAL HEALTH DOCUMENTS:

Physical Examinations:

The PA school code requires physical examinations for grades K, 6, 11 or upon original entry in Pennsylvania schools. The physical examinations may be obtained from your private physician up to 1 year prior to the student starting the grade. If there are financial hardships or special situations, the school physical examination can be completed by the school physician with written permission.

Please keep the school nurse informed of medical problems and limitations of activities as they occur throughout your child's school life. The school nurse can help modify a student's activities if needed.

Dental Examinations:

The PA school code requires dental examinations in grades K, 3, 7 and all transfer students out of state.

Hearing Screenings:

All students in grades K, 1, 2, 3, 7, 11, and students in special education will have a hearing test given by the school nurse. Students will also be screened on an as needed basis.

Vision Screenings:

Vision screening testing visual acuity shall be conducted yearly on every child, grades K through 12. Additional tests are conducted at certain grade levels and may include tests for near vision, amblyopia, color perception, and stereopsis. Students will also be screened on an as needed basis.

Height and Weight Screenings:

Your child's height, weight, and BMI percentile is completed yearly in grades K through 12.

Scoliosis Screenings:

Scoliosis screening is mandated in grades 6 and 7. If deviations from normal are detected during any screening, the student will be referred to his/her private physician for further evaluation and possible treatment. Referral forms for the appropriate screening will be either mailed to you or sent home with the student. Please have your physician complete the form, and return it to the Nurse's Office at your earliest convenience.

The goal of these routine screenings is to help detect problems that could affect your child's ability to learn or threaten optimum health. Good health is required for optimal learning. The school nurse assists students in attaining a high level of wellness.

Having regular (at least yearly) visits to your family doctor and dentist are an important part of maintaining your child's health. Family physicians and dentists are familiar with your child and thus are better able to detect physical/dental changes. Your physician/dentist is able to begin immediate treatment if indicated and can follow through with needed care and immunization boosters.

EMERGENCY FORMS:

Every student **MUST** have an emergency form filed in the Health Office. To keep information current, emergency forms are issued to all students each school year. Please contact your child's school nurse in the event that **any of the information changes** throughout the year. **CORRECT information** provided on this form is vital especially in an emergency situation. **PLEASE FILL OUT THE EMERGENCY FORM COMPLETELY!** It is imperative that the following information be provided:

- **Phone Numbers** where parents/guardians can be reached at home, at work, or even when out running errands. Please include all cell phone and/or beeper numbers when available. Please update this information as necessary.
- **Emergency Contacts:** Please provide names and phone numbers of persons who are **WILLING** and **ABLE** to transport, care for, and assume responsibility for your child in case of illness or injury. This is a serious undertaking and should be arranged by mutual consent. Please be sure that the designated persons are **LOCAL AND AVAILABLE** during the school day.
- **Medical Conditions:** Please provide information regarding medical conditions/chronic illness/diseases, all medications taken (at home and at school), all allergies, including medications, insect stings, foods, and environment. In an emergency situation, **IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT THIS INFORMATION BE COMPLETE, DETAILED, AND ACCURATE.** If 911 needs to be called, a copy of this information will be sent to the hospital with the EMS personnel.
- **Parent/Guardian Signatures:** The parent/guardian's signature is required on the emergency form. This signature on the emergency form allows emergency personnel to transport your child to the nearest medical facility in the event of an emergency and you or an emergency contact cannot be reached.

PARENT RESPONSIBILITY:

Health room facilities cannot provide for the care of the sick or injured child all day. **Sick or injured children need, want and should have their parents**, if possible. Working parents should be prepared to leave work to care for their children or have arrangements made for someone to care for them at home.

Parents or guardians will be contacted to provide or arrange for transportation home. In the event of severe illness or injury, an ambulance will be called to transport the student to the appropriate hospital. **The ambulance fee is the responsibility of the parent or guardian and is usually covered by medical insurance.**

MEDICATION POLICY:

It is recommended that prescription and nonprescription medicines be administered at home whenever possible.

Please remember that no medications of any kind, prescription or over the counter medications can be dispensed or given to your child at school without a written permission slip (see your school nurse) from a physician. Please remember it is your responsibility to ask your physician for a completed form or take the school form with you. **A parent/guardian must also sign the permission form.**

Inhalers are kept in the nurse's office. If a child needs to carry an inhaler with him/her at all times, the physician needs to specify that on the order. If a child is going to carry an inhaler, the parent needs to make sure the inhaler is brought to school daily and not forgotten.

Any/all approved medications brought to school must:

- 1) Be in a sturdy container
- 2) Be clearly marked with your child's name, time, and amount of dosage
- 3) Include your physician's name and name of prescribed medicine

A new form must be submitted to the school nurse each time there is a change in medication, dosage, or time of administration. Parents must deliver the medication to school (no medications should be brought on the bus with the students). Students are **never** to keep medications of any kind (Tylenol or cold medicine) on them or in any of their belongings (except inhalers ordered by the physician to be carried with them).

TRANSPORTATION:

The transportation department can assist families new to the area in determining which school their child/children will attend. Parents may call the East Transportation Office at (570) 839-7121, extension 30421, or the West Transportation Office at (570) 839-7121, extension 31420, for assistance.

Pocono Mountain School District bus drivers attend safety training workshops twice yearly and are dedicated to ensuring District children are transported safely to and from school.

School Bus Safety Guidelines for Students and Parents:

Getting on the school bus:

- Make sure children arrive 10 minutes prior to the arrival of the bus. Parents should NEVER try to catch a bus if their child misses the bus. Instead, please drive your child directly to school to ensure his/her safety.
- When waiting for the bus, instruct children to stay away from traffic and avoid roughhousing or other behavior.
- Keep children away from the street or road as the school bus approaches – Make sure your child is mindful of the Bus Danger Zone – the area around a bus where children are in most danger. Children should stay 10 feet away from the bus and never go behind it.
- Instruct children to wait until the bus has stopped completely and the bus driver signals that it's OK to approach the bus before stepping onto the roadway.

Behavior on the bus:

- Please share with your child that loud talking or other noise can distract the bus driver. It is required that students respect those around them and the requests of the bus driver.
- Children should never put their head, arms or hands out of the window, nor should they throw anything out of the window.
- Keep aisles clear -- books or bags are tripping hazards and can block the exit in an emergency.
- Children should wait for the bus to stop completely before getting up from their seat.
- Children may only bring items onto the bus that will fit in their laps. If large projects need to be brought to school, please arrange alternative transportation for your child.

Getting off the school bus:

- If your child must cross the street in front of a bus, make sure they know to walk at least 10 feet ahead of the bus along the side of the road, until they can turn around and see the driver signal to them that it is OK to cross the street.
- Children should always make sure bus drivers can see them.
- When the driver signals, children may walk across the road, keeping an eye out for sudden traffic changes.

Crossing the street:

- Children should always stop at the curb or the edge of the road and look left, then right, and then left again before crossing.
- They should continue looking in this manner until they are safely across the street.
- If students' vision is blocked by a parked car or other obstacle, they should move out to where drivers can see them and they can see other vehicles -- then stop, and look left-right-left again.

What can parents can do to help ensure children's safety?

- Reinforce safety awareness among children by reviewing bus safety procedures with them.
- Arrive at the bus stop 10 minutes prior to the arrival of the bus. Please, NEVER, follow or try to flag down a bus if you are late in dropping off your child at the bus stop. If your child gets out of the car and tries to "catch" a bus, it puts them in grave danger. The best response would be to continue to drive your child directly to school.
- Continue to update your emergency contact information with the school that your child attends.
- Work with other Safety Team Members such as the school nurse for medical concerns, school bus driver for bus safety concerns, etc.
- When you see a school bus, be mindful of children getting on or off of the bus.
- When you meet a school bus with red signal lights flashing and stop arm extended, you MUST STOP.
- DO NOT MOVE until all the children are safely loaded or are 10 feet off of the road and have reached a place of safety.

FOOD SERVICES:

Chartwells and Pocono Mountain School district partnership allows a comprehensive approach to health and wellness teaching students and the school community how to make sound choices for healthy lifestyles. We assist students in making the most nutritious options when selecting meals, snacks, and beverages at school. All schools participating in the School Breakfast and National School Lunch Program must adhere to USDA School Meal Guidelines.

School Lunch Program--Cafeteria Prices:

All menus are available on line in PDF format at www.pmsd.org

Elementary/Intermediate

Breakfast: Full \$1.25, Reduced \$.30

Lunch: Full \$1.70, Reduced \$.40 served with choice of low-fat milk

Milk: \$.60 if purchased separately from meal

Jr. & Sr. High School

Breakfast: Full \$1.25, Reduced \$.30

Lunch: Full \$2.10, Reduced \$.40

Milk: \$.60

KINDERGARTEN, FIRST GRADE AND HEAD START PROGRAMS:

Kindergarten:

Children are eligible for the Kindergarten program if they are five years old on or before September 1st of the school year in which they apply for entrance.

First Grade:

Children are eligible for First Grade if they are six year old on or before September 1st of the school year in which they apply for entrance.

Head Start:

Head Start is primarily a federally-funded program that provides education, health and social services to families with children aged 3, 4 and 5. Head Start programs help children develop academic and social skills that prepare them for school and life. While enrolled in a high quality Head Start preschool program, children receive nutrition, health and supports that help them grow mentally, physically and socially. Families are also offered support to help them obtain services for a variety of needs such as employment or housing. Families who are 100% of the federal poverty level are eligible to apply and the preschool program is free. At least 10% of a Head Start program's enrollment must serve children with disabilities. Pennsylvania also provides Pennsylvania Early Head Start to a limited number of children and families. Funded through federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act dollars, the Office of Child Development and Early Learning was named as an Early Head Start to expand services to infants and toddlers across the state. Pennsylvania Early Head Start is provider in 8 locations across the Commonwealth. Families should apply for Head Start or Early Head Start services through their local Head Start grantee. You can find the program in your community through the <http://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/hslc>

PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION (PTO):

The Pocono Mountain School District encourages you to become active in our schools. Check the official school calendar for dates, times and locations of meetings.

SCHOOL LOCATOR:

Schools that serve families residing on the Tobyhanna Army Depot are:

Clear Run Elementary School:

This school is located on Rt. 611 in Tobyhanna, approximately 3 miles from the installation. The address is 780 Memorial Blvd., Tobyhanna, PA 18466 and the phone number is (570) 839-7121, extension 28400. CRES accommodates children in grades K-2.

Clear Run Intermediate School:

This school is located on Rt. 611 in Tobyhanna, approximately 3 miles from the installation. The address is 800 Memorial Blvd., Tobyhanna, PA 18466 and the phone number is (570) 839-7121, extension 61400. CRIS accommodates children in grades 3-6.

Pocono Mountain West Junior High School:

This school is located on Rt. 940 in Pocono Summit, approximately 8 miles from the installation. The address is 180 Panther Lane, Pocono Summit, PA 18346 and the phone number is (570) 839-7121, extension 81400. PMWJHS is home to the 7th – 8th grade students.

Pocono Mountain West High School:

This school is located on Rt. 940 in Pocono Summit, approximately 8 miles from the installation. The address is 181 Panther Lane, Pocono Summit, PA 18346 and the phone number is (570) 839-7121, extension 81400. PMWHS is home to the 9th – 12th grade students.

***Please note:** All of the schools listed above are included in the district website: <http://www.pmsd.org> Once you access the webpage, roll your mouse over the heading Our Schools. A drop down menu will appear. Roll your mouse over the school name and then click on it to receive more information on the school.*

Monsignor McHugh:

This private school is located on Rt. 390 in Cresco, approximately 12 miles from the installation. The address is 212 Route 390, Cresco, PA 18326 and the phone number is (570) 595-7463. This school accommodates children Pre K – 8th grade. Transportation to and from the school is provided through Pocono Mountain School District. Information on this school can be found at: <http://www.monsignormchugh.org/>

Evergreen Community Charter School:

This charter school is located on Rt. 390 in Mountainhome, approximately 12 miles from the installation. The address is P390/191 Grace Ave. Mountainhome, PA 18342 and the phone number is (570) 595-6355. This school accommodates grades 6 – 12. Transportation to and from the school is provided through Pocono Mountain School District. Information on this school can be found at: <http://www.evergreencommunityschool.org/>

BUS LOCATOR:

Youth residing in Tobyhanna Pines Housing Area have an enclosed bus shelter between Edison Court and Marconi Court. Youth who are enrolled in the before/after school care at the Child Development Center, Bldg. 335, will be picked up at the center and dropped off there. These are the only authorized bus stops on the installation.

Please note that bus stop assignments are issued by the Transportation Department of the Pocono Mountain School District. Your assignment is based on your address. Therefore, if children will be receiving child care, you will need to contact the transportation department to advise them of where your child needs to be picked up and/or dropped off. You can reach the transportation department at (570) 839-7121, extension 31420.

Delayed Opening/Early Closure:

Schools may be delayed in opening 1 hour up to 3 hours or dismissed early, depending on the severity of the weather. When inclement weather is called for, please tune in to local television channels, 16, 22 or 28, and watch for Pocono Mountain School District. You can also tune your radio to 93.5 FM for school information. Calling the school district directly at 570-839-7121, you will be able to access a weather notice, which is updated regularly during inclement weather. Finally, you can go to the district webpage and click on the weather information.

www.pmsd.org

When necessary, schools are dismissed early due to weather conditions. The above information will again be your main means of finding this information.

You can also have a notification text messaged to your phone. To sign up for this feature you will need to go to <http://www.wnep.com/Global/link.asp?L=111957> (this is a local news station) and follow the directions.

SPECIAL EDUCATION:

Special Education refers to “specially designed instruction (SDI)” to meet the needs of an exceptional student. The term “exceptional” includes children with a physical, emotional or mental disability.

Special Education supports and services in the Pocono Mountain School District include a full continuum of services and are in compliance with federal and state laws. Pocono Mountain School District also utilizes resources outside the district including the Colonial Intermediate Unit 20, local approved private schools and other state licensed educational programs.

Programs are available in the Pocono Mountain School District for students with the following disabilities: Learning Disabled, Autistic, Deafness/Hearing Impairment, Emotional Disturbance, Mental Retardation, Multiply Disabled, Orthopedic Impairment, Other Health Impaired, Speech/Language Impaired, Traumatic Brain Injured and Visual Impairment including Blindness. Related services are available to assist a student with a disability including transportation, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Orientation and Mobility and Psychological Services.

A student with a disability who is in need of specially designed instruction (SDI) in the Pocono Mountain School District is supported by a Multidisciplinary Team (MDT) and an Individualized Education Program (IEP) team. All IEP's are reviewed and/or revised at least once a year. All student programs are reevaluated every three years per state mandates. Those students with Mental Retardation are reevaluated every two years.

Other students with disabilities who do not qualify for supports and services through special education may be provided for as a Protected Handicapped Student under the requirements of section 504 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and Chapter 15 of state regulations Title 22. Students with an identifiable disability which limits or prohibits participation in or access to an aspect of the school program can be provided with modifications and adaptations through a Chapter 15 Service Agreement.

Parents/Guardians may also contact the Special Education Consult Line through the Pennsylvania Department of Education at 1-800-879-2301 (in state) or (717) 657-5842 (out of state) for information regarding Special Education Regulations.

Further information about Special Education may be accessed through the Pennsylvania Department of Education web site at www.pde.state.pa.us

HOME SCHOOL:

The Pocono Mountain School District provides a very detailed outline of the Home Education option. You can view this document on the school's official website at: <http://www.boarddocs.com/pa/pmsd/Board.nsf/Public#>

There are a number of home-school support groups and resources located on the Pennsylvania Department of Education website at: <http://www.education.pa.gov/Documents/K-12/Home%20Education%20and%20Private%20Tutoring/Support%20Groups%20and%20Resources.pdf>

The Pocono Mountain School District will permit a home education program after the District Superintendent or his/her designee receives appropriate documentation and assurances that a home education program will occur/is occurring in accordance with the Public School Code.

For more information on Home Education please visit the Pennsylvania Department of Education website at: <http://www.education.pa.gov/K-12/Home%20Education%20and%20Private%20Tutoring/Pages/default.aspx#.VuqkbsApC70> for a comprehensive view of Home Education and Home Education Organizations serving Pennsylvania families.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

To be eligible for high school graduation, students in the class of 2016 must earn 24 credits, and 2017- 22 credits. Students who complete graduation requirements prior to the end of their senior year will graduate with their class in June. For more specific information, please contact the school.

Pathways to Proficiency:

Pathways to Proficiency is a program that links proficient performance on the Keystone Exams to graduation. Students scoring below proficient in Math, Reading, or both will be notified after the start of school. These students will have the opportunity to demonstrate proficiency on specified content by completing a school-based assessment. If they need additional work, these students will be mandated to participate in a remediation program in the fall. Multiple opportunities will exist to "test proficient" prior to the conclusion of the senior year. If a student does not earn a proficient rating, then he/she will not be permitted to graduate.



Pocono Mountain School District

2015-2016 School Calendar



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August

- 24 New Teacher Orientation
- 26 First Day for Teachers - In-Service 8AM - 3:30 PM
- 28 In-Service - Teachers in Session 8AM - 3:30 PM
- 27 In-Service - Teachers in Session 8AM - 3:30 PM
- 31 First Day for Students

September

- 4 Labor Day Holiday - Schools Closed
- 7 Labor Day Holiday - Schools Closed

October

- 12 Columbus Day - School Closed Teacher In-Service 8AM - 3:30PM

November

- 4 45th Day - End of 1st Marking Period (Tentative)
- 12 Parent-Teacher Conferences (K-12) 5:30PM-8:30PM
- 13 (Act 80) Parent-Teacher Conferences Grades K-12 Schools Closed 8:00AM-2:30PM
- 26 2 Hour Student Early Dismissal Grades K-12

- 28 Thanksgiving Holiday -Schools Closed
- 27 Thanksgiving Holiday -Schools Closed
- 20 Thanksgiving Holiday - Schools Closed

December

- 23 2 Hour Student Early Dismissal Grades K-12
- 24 Winter Recess-Schools Closed
- 25 Winter Recess-Schools Closed
- 28 Winter Recess-Schools Closed
- 29 Winter Recess-Schools Closed
- 30 Winter Recess-Schools Closed
- 31 Winter Recess-Schools Closed

January

- 1 Winter Recess-Schools Closed
- 18 Martin Luther King Holiday-Schools Closed
- 21 90th Day-End of 2nd Marking Period (Tentative)

February

- 12 In-Service - Teachers in Session 8AM - 3:30PM Schools Closed for Students
- 16 President's Day-Schools Closed
- 28 (Act 80) - Parent Teacher Conferences (K-12) 8:00AM - 3:30PM

March

- 2 (Act 80) - Special 3 Hour Student Early Dismissal
- 24 Spring Recess-Schools Closed
- 26 Spring Recess-Schools Closed
- 28 Spring Recess-Schools Closed
- 31 135th Day-End of 3rd Marking Period (Tentative)

May

- 4 (Act 80) - Special 3 Hour Student Early Dismissal

- 30 Memorial Day-Schools Closed

June

- 3 180th Day-Last Day for Students (Tentative)
- 8 Last Staff Day-Teacher In-Service (Tentative)

Teacher In-Service Days	
8/25, 8/26, 8/27, 10/12, 2/12, 6/6	
Tentative Marking Periods	
End of 1 st Marking Period	November 4
End of 2 nd Marking Period	January 21
End of 3 rd Marking Period	March 31
End of 4 th Marking Period	June 3
Parent Teacher Conferences	
All Grades K-12	
November 12 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM	
All Grades K-12	
November 13 8:00 AM to 2:30 PM	
All Grades K-12	
February 26 8:00 AM to 2:30 PM	
Total Student Days - 180	
Total Staff Days - 186	
Act 80 Days	
November 13, 2015	Grades K-12
February 26, 2016	Grades K-12
March 2, 2016	Grades K-12
May 4, 2016	Grades K-12

Snow Make Up Days in Order of Usage	
June 6, 7, 8, 9	
According to Section 15-1502 of the PDE Codes and Regulations, after the use of these make up days, if additional make up days are necessary due to inclement weather or other emergency situations, the following days will become school in session days in the following order:	
• **February 12, 2016	
• February 15, 2016	
• March 24, 2016	
• March 28, 2016	
**Staff In-Service Days would be rescheduled to the end of the year.	

Jan 2016						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

Feb 2016						
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Mar 2016						
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Apr 2016						
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May 2016						
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Jun 2016						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1
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This school calendar is subject to revisions due to school cancellations and district closures. Approved by the PMSD Board of Education on February 4, 2015.

**POCONO MOUNTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGISTRATION CHECKLIST**

Parent Use Only	Office Use Only
<input type="checkbox"/> Bring Proof of Age	<input type="checkbox"/> Proof of Age
<input type="checkbox"/> Bring Immunization Records	<input type="checkbox"/> Immunization Records
<input type="checkbox"/> Bring 2 Proofs of Residency	<input type="checkbox"/> Proof of Residency <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2
<input type="checkbox"/> Bring Recent Transcript/Report Card	<input type="checkbox"/> Recent Transcript/Report Card
<input type="checkbox"/> Bring Special Education Files (If applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/> Special Education Files (If applicable)
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<input type="checkbox"/> Registration Form (Page 1-4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Registration Form (Page 1-4)
<input type="checkbox"/> Consent for Release of Student Records	<input type="checkbox"/> Consent for Release of Student Records
<input type="checkbox"/> Home Language Survey	<input type="checkbox"/> Home Language Survey
<input type="checkbox"/> Student Health History	<input type="checkbox"/> Student Health History
<input type="checkbox"/> Dental Form (K-5)	<input type="checkbox"/> Dental Form (K-5)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Agency Letter
	<input type="checkbox"/> Custody Paperwork
	<input type="checkbox"/> Foster Form
	<input type="checkbox"/> Sworn Statement
	<input type="checkbox"/> Notarized Parent Letter
	<input type="checkbox"/> Free/Reduced Meal Form

	<input type="checkbox"/> Release Sent
	<input type="checkbox"/> Email
	<input type="checkbox"/> Scan
	<input type="checkbox"/> HAC ID- _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> Special Education Records Copied/Sent
	<input type="checkbox"/> Photo

Start Date _____

Information Received and Entered on _____ by _____

